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Oh! myプリンス［1巻］ 武藤 啓
キウイケツキ ドラキウイラ くろだ美里

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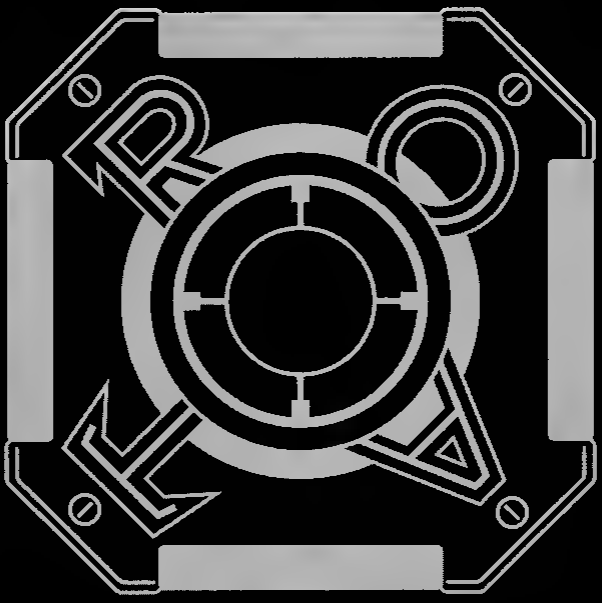

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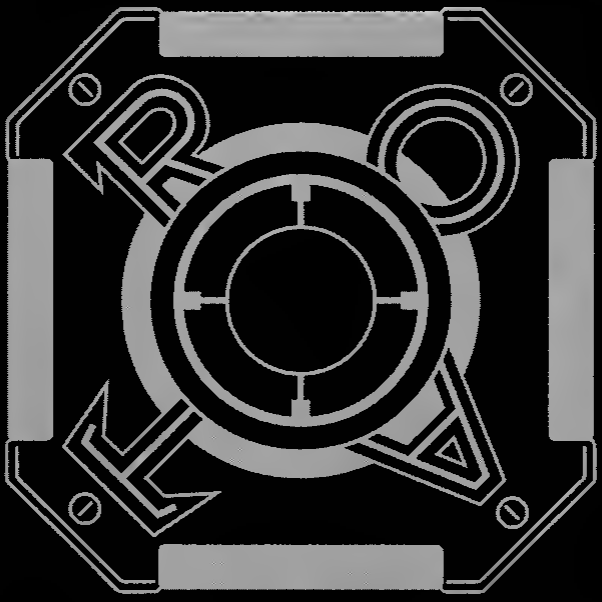

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Come take me away.
I want to run away
from this darkness.
I'm right here...
MOTHER ...

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DO
NG
THE TOWN OF TATE-HAMA
YOU MUST BE SO HAPPY TO LIVE IN SUCH A SPLENDID RESIDENCE.
THIS IS ALL OF YOUR LUG-GAGE.
PLEASE SIGN HERE.
OF COURSE.

Sign
THANKS FOR CHOOSING US !!
STAY WELL, YOUNG MASTER!
THANKS FOR ALL THE HARD WORK.
<CLOSE>
Do I look happy?
I...
WHAT'S THAT?
A BOOK?
Did I have that in my luggage?

A
R
C
T
TORA...?
<CREAK>
!!
EH ?!
<FLASH>
<SNAP>

〈WOOOOOOOOO!〉
I've been waiting for this moment
For this blessed moment, when I obtain freedom
float

escape
<SILENCE>
<THUD>
WAH
...
What
just hap-
pened?
What...
dazed.

The Moon ...?
TAROT CARDS...
THE MOON
XVIII
THE MOON
<BANG>
Crash
Crash
WAH!
DON'T TOUCH THAT WITH YOUR FILTHY HANDS!!
WHAT ...?!

YOU THIEF !!
TH
UD
Eh?
GRAB
Thi...
I'LL NEVER LET YOU GO AGAIN!
AND I'VE FINALLY FOUND IT !!
49 DAYS TRIP FROM ENGLAND

Thief?!
AAAH!
THE CLASP OF THE SEAL IS GONE!
THEY ESCAPED ME...!!
DON'T TELL ME THAT-
FLIP
FLIP
EHM...
EX-CUSE ME...
<SHOCK>

It's disgusting
Escaped...?
SHOCK
I DON'T.
DON'T YOU HAVE SERVANTS? OR FAMILY?
HOW DARE YOU OFFER SUCH CHEAP BLACK TEA TO A GUEST FROM ENGLAND!?
I'M, I'M SORRY..
Here, take it back.
DON'T TELL ME YOU LIVE ALONE IN SUCH A HUGE HOUSE?
YES. GRANDFATHER BOUGHT IT ESPECIALLY FOR ME

ENVY
THIS IS A DUMP.
YOU GOOD-FOR-NOTHING!
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT
WHAT A HAPPY GUY..
I WAS THROWN AWAY.
DON'T LET IT BOTHER YOU.
DON'T APPEAR BEFORE ME EVER AGAIN!
I DON'T WANT YOU ANYMORE.
I'M LADY!!
WHAT ..?
EXCEND
HELLO!

AND WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
SA-TSUKI.
HIKAWA SATSUKI.
SATSUKI! WHAT A NICE NAME.
WHEN ONE DOOR SHUTS, ANOTHER DOOR OPENS...
SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT,
YOU'RE NOT ALONE ANYMORE.
YOU ARE MY SLAVE NOW!!
FROM TODAY ON, YOU CAN TOIL FOR ME
UNTIL YOU DIE!!
Kyahahahe!
aback

I SAW WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE BOOK.
THERE WAS A BLAST OF STRANGE LIGHT COMING FROM IT.
YOU'RE HUMAN AFTER ALL.
But there is no moon in this picture...
When the book fell to the floor, it was open on the page, "THE MOON".
XVIII
THE MOON
I THOUGHT YOU MUST HAVE BEEN A MOON FAIRY.
WHILE I WAS STARING AT IT SHOCKED, YOU FELL FROM THE SKY.

<KICK>
Wah!
"TABLET"..?
THIS BOOK !!
YOU broke the seal of the "TABLET" !!
So it was you!
I'M IN CHARGE OF THE TABLET.
IT'S MINE AND NOBODY ELSE'S.
NOBODY BUT ME IS SUPPOSED TO TOUCH IT!
THIS IS NOT JUST SOME RANDOM CURIO!!

(BAM)
THE SUN
XIX
XIX
THE SUN
I'LL GIVE YOU PROOF.
BEHOLD!
(FLIP-FLIP)
Sun...
The...
Summoning ...?
Summo...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
SUMMONING
SUMMONING THE SUN !!

ALEISTER !!
THAT ILLUMI-NATES THE HEAVENS !!
SPLENDID, ALL-POWERFUL FLAME
COME FORTH AND SUBMIT TO ME.
"THE SUN"
Yes, My master !!!
!!
The picture ...

WAH!
<HOWL>
It spoke ?!
<EXPLODE>
What ...?
<SNAP-SNAP>

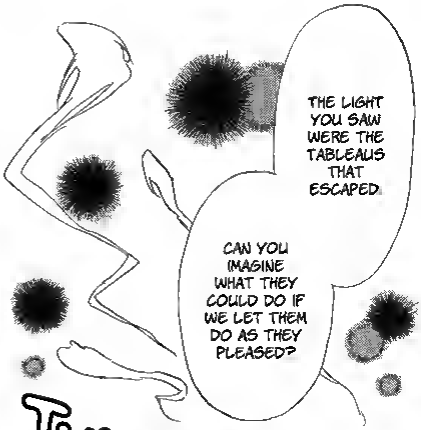
〈*NOTE: NAMED AFTER ALEISTER CROWLEY (1875-1947), AN INFLUENTIAL ENGLISH OCCULTIST, ASTROLOGER, MYSTIC, CEREMONIAL MAGICIAN AND POET〉

THE SUN
is gone!!
The image of the Sun that was there
WHO IS...
XIX
THE SUN
HE'S "THE SUN TABLEAU" I RIPPED FROM THE IMAGE
ALEISTER IS "THE SUN".
A LOYAL SERVANT, READY TO DO ANYTHING THE MASTER ORDERS
DEPENDING ON THE TABLEAU'S TEMPERAMENT AND MY MOOD, WE COULD LEVEL THIS WHOLE TOWN WITH THE GROUND.
THE SUN
"TA-BLEAU" ...?
SOMETHING LIKE AN AVATAR OF THAT IMAGE
THE SUN

YOU'LL BE MY PORTER FROM NOW ON.
GET READY
FOR WHAT?

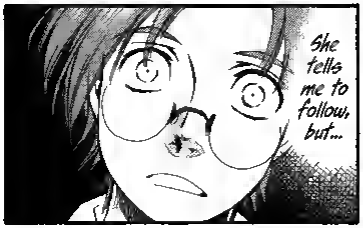
glare

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
I'M GOING TO RECOVER THE GUYS WHO ESCAPED

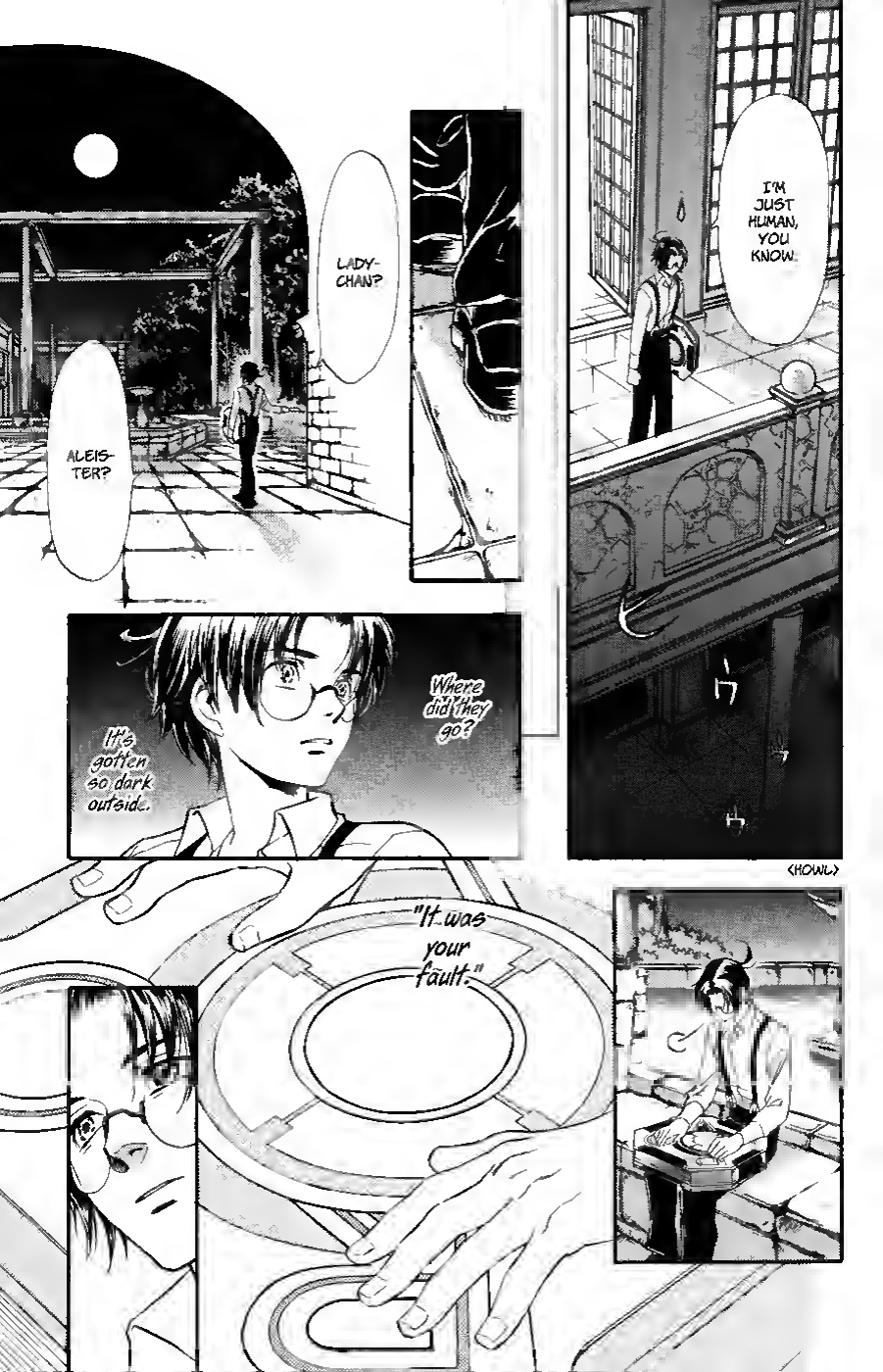

THE LIGHT YOU SAW WERE THE TABLEAUS THAT ESCAPED.
CAN YOU IMAGINE WHAT THEY COULD DO IF WE LET THEM DO AS THEY PLEASED?

THUD

FOLLOW US!
WA..
WAIT!

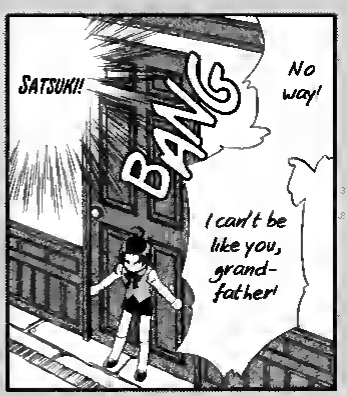

She tells me to follow, but...

IT WAS YOUR FAULT THAT THIS HAPPENED, SO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY.
I EXPECT YOU TO WORK DILIGENTLY UNTIL ALL OF THEM ARE RECOVERED.


I'M JUST HUMAN, YOU KNOW.
<HOWL>
LADY-CHAN?
ALEIS-TER?
It's gotten so dark outside.
Where did they go?
"It was your fault."

Once again,

I've done something I should have never done.



Mother...
My mommy climbed up to the heavens as soon as she gave birth to me.
Do you know?
Moon-sama...
I want to be by your side...

I KNOW THIS SMELL.

〈THUD〉
THE SMELL OF THAT ABOMINABLE CAGE
ARE YOU ONE OF THOSE WHO SEALED ME?
YOU ARE ?
"I've been waiting for this moment..."
"THE SUN" !!
For this blessed moment when I obtain freedom

SWISH
<BANG>
OH, POOR BABY
DID A FEW SCREWS COME LOOSE WITH THE SHOCK OF THE BREAKING OF YOUR SEAL?
MISTAKING YOUR OWN MASTER?
YOUR SACRED SWORD, THE CRESCENT, MUST BE WEEPING
SNIGGER

"THE MOON"
The
Moon
...
(WOOOOOO!)
"THE MOON"?
THAT'S RIGHT.
HE IS "THE MOON TABLEAU".
THE IMAGE FROM THE "MOON" PAGE YOU SAW
YOU JUST HAD A BRUSH WITH DEATH, SATSUKI

I'LL TEACH HIM A LESSON
FINISH HIM OFF, ALEISTER !!
YES, MY MASTER !!
IF WE HADN'T COME
YOUR HEAD WOULD NOT BE ON YOUR SHOULDERS NOW
bleed
WITH THE RIGHT FIST OF THE SUN!!
<CLASH>
<LEAP>

Satsuki!
<BANG>
"THE MOON TABLEAU" LEFT THE BOOK ON ITS OWN!
OF COURSE, HE WOULDN'T LISTEN TO MY ORDERS.
huff huff
WHY ARE YOU SPACING OUT?
YOU WANNA DIE?!
LADY-CHAN!
<BANG>
THEN I'LL STOP THEM.
A TABLEAU HAS TO LISTEN TO YOU, RIGHT?
IF HE DID WE WOULDN'T BE FIGHTING NOW!
STOP THAT MAN
NOW!
IDIOT !!!
HE IS A HOMICIDAL MANIAC!
NO!
THAT'S NOT "THE MOON".

〈STAB〉
"THE MOON" IS...
DON'T
〈PRESS〉
CONFINE ME.
STOP!
SATSUKI !!

Moon-sama...
<SLICE>
I AM FREE.
ALEIS-TER!!
<STAB>

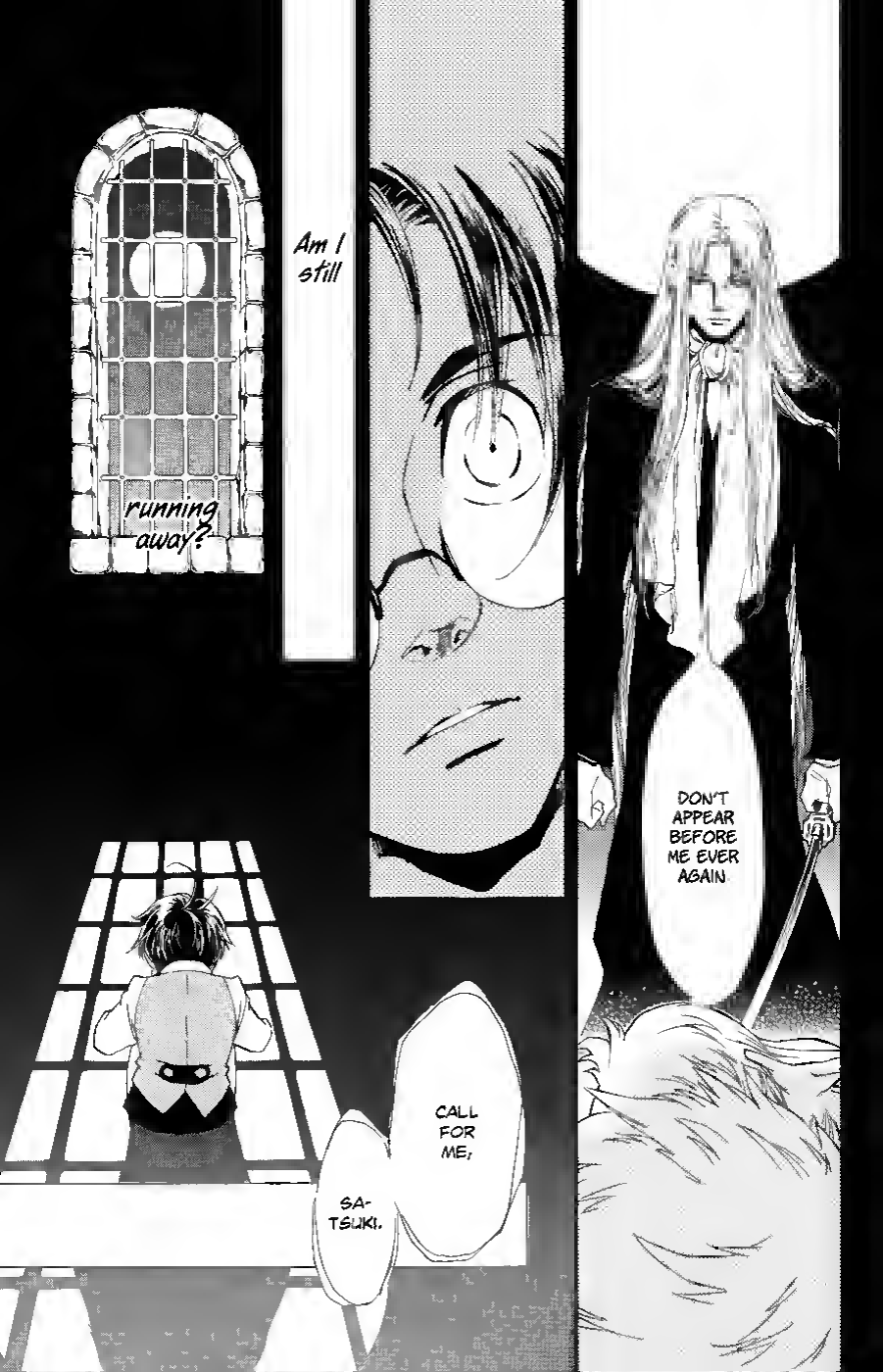
THAT WAS CLOSE
A MOMENT LONGER AND HE'D HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY BROKEN
<FISSSS>
DO YOU UNDERSTAND NOW
WHAT KIND OF CREATURE HE IS, SATSUKI?
close
WHAT ARE YOU?

YOU HAVE SO MUCH POWER AND YET
FREE FROM BEING A TABLEAU?
FREE TO HURT YOUR OWN KIN?
WHAT ARE YOU "FREE" FROM?
SA-TSUKI !!
YOU HAVE A PLACE TO RETURN TO AND YET...!!
<SWING>
YOU'RE REALLY A HOPELESS CASE...

"THE MOON"... THERE'S A LIMIT EVEN TO IDIOCY.
HOW COULD YOU HURT YOUR OWN KIND?
I AM LADY. I'M IN CHARGE OF THE TABLET.
I AM YOUR MASTER.
STEP BACK, SATSUKI!!
LADY-CHAN...
GIVE ME YOUR NAME RIGHT NOW.
AND RETURN TO THE TABLET IMMEDIATELY!
THE TABLEAUS GIVE THEIR NAMES ONLY WHEN THEY HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED THE OPPONENT AS THEIR MASTER.
SATSUKI...
The name?

UGH...
Who's speaking ?!
SUBSIDING HIM IS MY DUTY.
TREMBLE
GO AWAY.
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU.
WHO DO YOU THINK I'M DOING THIS FOR?!
LADY-CHAN, YOUR HANDS-
I TOLD YOU TO RUN, IDIOT!
BUT I...

<STAB>
MOO.. N..
THE..
LADY-CHAN!
I DON'T WANT YOU ANYMORE


Am I still running away?
DON'T APPEAR BEFORE ME EVER AGAIN.
CALL FOR ME, SA-TSUKI.

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN?
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN WATCHING YOU, TOO.
"THE MOON" IS NOT THE ONLY ONE.
I'VE ALREADY ACKNOWLEDGED YOU AS MY MASTER.
HELLO, YOUNG MAN.
<THUMP>

SA-TSUKI.
WHAT IS "THE SUN" TO YOU?
FATHER OF ALL CREA-TION..
THE SUBLIME AND SILENT LORD..
<HOWL>
I BEG YOU.
IF MY THOUGHTS DO REACH YOU,
COME AND SAVE US NOW!!
<OPEN>
"THE SUN" !!

ALEISTER
!!!!!
<EXPLODE>
<WUUUUUUUU>

LONG TIME NO SEE, "THE MOON" ...
OR SHOULD I CALL YOU "THE EX-MOON"?
<SLIDE AWAY>
YOU ARE-
"THE SUN"
SWAP
THE ONLY ONE IN THIS WORLD WHO CAN SURPASS THE MOON.
I OBEY MY MASTER'S ORDERS.
THEREFORE, I WILL RESTRAIN YOU NOW.

"The Sun" ...
ARE YOU UNHURT, MY MASTER?
came to save me!!
smile
<SWING>
I RE-MEMBER YOU, "THE SUN"
THE MAN WHO WAS ALWAYS
GETTING IN MY WAY..
<BANG>

<CLANK>
I DON'T NEED IT.
CAN YOU REALLY FIGHT ME WITHOUT YOUR OVER-PRAISED RIGHT ARM?
Is this the same Aleister?
ALEIS-TER..
He's like a completely different person
WE, THE TABLEAUS,
DO NOT HAVE ANY INDIVIDUAL PERSON-ALITIES.
MAS-TER

"IMAGI-NATIVE POWER"?
WE RECEIVE PERSONALITIES MOSTLY DE-PENDING ON THE MASTER'S IMAGINATIVE POWER.
LADY-CHAN?!
A PERSON NOT GIFTED WITH GREAT SENSITIVITY AND IMAGI-NATION
CANNOT SUMMON A TABLEAU
YOUR IMAGINA-TION.
YOU
WILL DO JUST FINE
YOU MUST NOT FORGET.
SATSUKI,
YOU HAVE "POWER".
I CAN SEE, CLEARLY, THAT YOU ARE FIT TO BE THE MASTER.

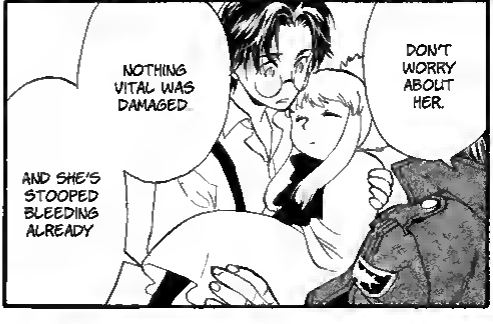
THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO NEED YOU.
<BANG>
<CRACK>
NOT DOING WHAT YOU PLEASE!!
FREE-DOM IS
IT'S DOING WHAT MUST BE DONE.

〈CRASH〉
〈STAB〉

I'VE TAKEN MY REVENGE FOR MY RIGHT ARM.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
NOW WE'RE EVEN

LADY-CHAN IS-
ALEIS-TER!

HA HA HA HA
THAT GUY'S A SOFTIE


NOTHING VITAL WAS DAMAGED
AND SHE'S STOOPED BLEEDING ALREADY
DON'T WORRY ABOUT HER.

UNLIKE YOU, MY POLICY IS NOT TO DO SUCH RECKLESS STUFF
WHY DON'T YOU FINISH ME OFF?

THE TABLEAU CANNOT EXIST WITHOUT ITS MASTER.
THE PATH "THE MOON" CHOSE.
THAT'S YOUR FATE.
YOU THREW AWAY YOUR MASTER.
YOU WILL DISAPPEAR EVEN WITHOUT MY INTER-VENTION.
OF COURSE IT'S NOT.
THAT'S WHAT YOU WANTED, "THE MOON," ISN'T IT?
SO THAT HE COULD GAIN TRUE FREEDOM.
I KNOW WHAT HE'S ALWAYS BEEN LOOKING FOR
A PLACE WHERE HE BELONGS

LET US SAVE YOU
SO PLEASE,
I WILL NOT CONFINE YOU
DIDN'T YOU WANT TO DESTROY ME?
WHOEVER SAID THAT?
IN OTHER WORDS ...
I HAVE TO HELP YOU, TOO, OR ELSE, I'M IN TROUBLE
"THE MOON"
"COME AND SAVE US."
THAT'S WHAT THE MASTER ORDERED.
IS THAT HOW IT IS?
YES, THAT'S HOW IT IS.

I HAD A LONG, LONG DREAM.
DREAM?
OF A DARK CAGE
AND THERE WAS JUST ONE TINY WHITE HAND
REACHING UP TO MY PRISON
JUST TO THINK THE DAY HAS COME WHEN I AM ABLE TO HOLD IT.

*NOTE NAMED AFTER ELIPHAS LEVI, BORN ALPHONSE LOUIS CONSTANT (1810 - 1875), WAS A FRENCH OCCULT AUTHOR AND PURPORTED MAGICIAN

I AM AT YOUR COMMAND
MY MASTER ...
YOU CAN CALL ME "MOON," SATSUKI.
YOU ALWAYS WATCH OVER ME
AND YOUR LIGHT IS GENTLE LIKE A MOTHER'S EMBRACE

SATSUKI!!
ALEISTER!!
MORNING!!

SATSUKI IS HERE TO SEE YOU!
LADY!
AYE!
Nice uniform
IF YOU'RE HERE, DOES THIS MEAN LADY-CHAN HAS RECOVERED?
SHE'S HAVING TEA IN BED.

LADY-CHAN...
THANKS, SATSUKI.
DON'T MENTION IT.
I'VE BEEN THINK-ING.
A PERFECT STRANGER CANNOT STAY HERE FOR LONG
LADY-CHAN, NO!
YOU'RE ALL MY IMPOR-TANT-
THAT'S WHY I'VE DECIDED.
I WILL BECOME MANAGER OF THIS PLACE.
...
WHAT?
MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME
I WON'T KICK YOU OUT OF HERE, DON'T WORRY.
NOT TO MENTION YOU'VE LEARNED TO MAKE GOOD TEA, TOO
THAT'S-
Satsuki-saaan!

<GLOMP>
M-MORNING..
The uniforms suits you perfectly!
I'll make you a coat to match for the autumn!
Good morning!
WHO IS THAT GUY?
THAT'S "THE MOON"
HE DOES ALL THE HOUSEWORK AROUND HERE, YOU KNOW.
INCLUDING NURSING YOU!
LADY-CHAN, ELIPHAS MADE THE TEA YOU LIKED SO MUCH
POPPING VEIN
IT'S FLOWERY ORANGE PEKOE
WAS IT TO YOUR LIKING?

NO IT IS NOTTTT !!!
you're a sword-master!!
what did you do with your sword-fighting skills?!
STOP IT, LADY
YOU'RE BARKING AGAINST A NORMAL HOUSE-HUSBAND!
LADY-SAN, THE WOUND ON YOUR MOUTH WILL REOPEN
And whose fault is that?!
PFFT
HEH...

HAHAHA!
HAHA HAHA!
My fantasies are coming true.
I'M GOING TO SCHOOL NOW.
RIGHT! TAKE CARE.

I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOUR RETURN.
SA-TSUKI-SAN.
The light is spread-ing...
COME BACK SAFELY.
I'LL BE HOME LATER.
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